Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 45)

Summer Flounder Landings and State Commercial Quotas (Pounds) for 1999.

		Week	Period		
State	Late	Ending	Cumulative	1999 Quotas	Percent
	Entries	13-NOV-99	Total (to date)		Landed
ME	0	0	5,856	4,450	131.6
NH	0	0	0	51	0
MA	0	0	796 , 789	757,842	105.1
RI	0	19,192	1,525,405	1,742,583	87.5
CT	49	1,635	225,278	238,516	94.4
NY	331	1,695	802,301	790,006	101.6
NJ	1,020	6,240	1,705,310	1,853,926	92.0
DE	0	0	6,977	-25,439	-
MD	0	1,266	172,212	202,354	85.1
VA	3,904	59,007	1,618,189	2,120,696	76.3
NC	1,659	177	2,259,031	3,044,589	74.2
TOTAL	6,963	89,212	9,117,348	10,755,013	84.8

Notes:

The total quota reflects pounds available for landings in states with quota. States with negative allocations have zero (0) pounds of quota available.

For the week ending **13-NOV-99**, 219 dealers held a federal summer flounder permit. Of those 219 dealers, 168 (77%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder

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State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Maine	Federal		Effective 0001 hrs on 3/30/99	Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts	Federal/ State		Effective 8/16/99, the commercial summer flounder fishery will be closed for the remainder of the year. The landing/possession limit will drop to 0 lbs for all gear types on this date.	Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 11/1/99 the possession limit will be 300 lbs of summer flounder.		Jenifer Temple 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut	State	Effective Wednesday, 11/10/99, the possession limit for summer flounder (fluke) taken from CT waters or landed in this state, regardless where taken, is reestablished at 100 lbs per trip or per day.		Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York	Federal/ State	Beginning 0001 hrs on 11/10/99 and ending 2400 hrs on 1/1/2000, no summer flounder permit holder may land any summer flounder from any one fishing trip. Closure applies to any summer flounder permit holder.	flounder for the remainder of	John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey		Effective 1801 hrs on 10/29/99, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess of the bycatch trip limit of 100 lbs through 10/31/99 or 200 lbs from 11/1/99 through 12/31/99. By-catch landings may not exceed 10%, by weight, of all species landed and sold.	Effective 1801 hrs on 11/21/99, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess of the daily trip limit of 2,000 lbs.	Tom McCloy 609-292-2083

State Information on Summer Flounder, continued

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State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
Delaware		(Fasses)	-	Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland		2,000 lbs for vessels with Maryland summer flounder landing permit	For vessels without a Maryland summer flounder landing permit, 200 lbs from the Atlantic Coast and 100 lbs from the Chesapeake Bay	Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia	State	Vessels shall be limited to no more than 10% by weight of all other landed species on board.	Effective 4/7/99 through 11/15/99	Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina	State	Effective 11/1/99 through 11/30/99, no commercial fishing operation, regardless of the number of people involved, may have total landings of more than 100 lbs of summer flounder taken from the Atlantic Ocean.	Beginning 0001 hrs 12/1/99 and ending 1800 hrs on 12/16/99, no commercial fishing operation, regardless of the number of people involved, may have total landings of more than 10,000 lbs of summer flounder taken from the Atlantic Ocean.	Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021